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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed October 4, 2001, Applicant provides its response below.

DRAWINGS

Applicant herewith encloses amended informal drawing Figures 1-5 which reflect the correct margins pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.84(g). The informalities were not significant enough to prevent an understanding of the invention or permit reasonable examination of the application. M.P.E.P. § 608.02(a). Therefore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.85, Applicant respectfully requests that it be permitted to delay the submission of formal drawings until it receives a notice of allowability.

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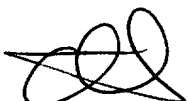
EXTENSION OF TIME

This communication is responsive to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed October 4, 2001. Applicant respectfully requests that the Commissioner withdraw \$55.00 for the one-month extension fee from Deposit Account No. 01-0477.

Having addressed all matters raised by in the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed on October 4, 2001, Applicant respectfully requests that the application is in a condition for examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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